

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 12, 2007

SENATE BILL

No. 764

Introduced by Senator Migden

February 23, 2007

An act to amend Section 127775 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to health care providers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 764, as amended, Migden. Health care providers.

Existing law authorizes the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to receive basic data that the Medical Board of California may provide on individual licentiates.

This bill would, instead, require the office to receive, and the Medical Board of California to provide, information respecting individual board licentiates in order for the office to study the number of primary care physicians and surgeons in the state and make a 5-year projection about trends for this number.

The bill would also require, on or before June 1, 2009, the office to prepare and provide to the Legislature a report that makes a 5-year projection on the full time, practicing primary care physician and surgeon workforce in the state.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 127775 of the Health and Safety Code
2 is amended to read:

1 127775. The office shall receive, and the Medical Board of
2 California shall provide, information respecting individual
3 licentiates licensed by the board in order for the office to study the
4 number of primary care physicians and surgeons in the state and
5 make a five-year projection about trends for this number.

6 Information provided to the office pursuant to this section shall
7 be transmitted in a form so that the name or license number of an
8 individual licensee is not identifiable. However, an encoding
9 procedure shall be used to assign a unique identifying number to
10 the other information provided upon the questionnaire so as to
11 allow the office to track the geographical movements of physicians
12 for planning purposes.

13 *SEC. 2. The Office of Statewide Health Planning and*
14 *Development shall, on or before June 1, 2009, prepare and provide*
15 *to the Legislature a report that makes a five-year projection on*
16 *the full time, practicing primary care physician and surgeon*
17 *workforce in the state and provides a starting point to address*
18 *geographic gaps in health care coverage provided by these*
19 *physicians and surgeons. In preparing the report, the office shall*
20 *consider all of the following:*

- 21 (a) *Demographic changes.*
- 22 (b) *Immigration trends.*
- 23 (c) *Possible consequences from health care reforms.*
- 24 (d) *The ages of practicing primary care physicians and*
25 *surgeons.*
- 26 (e) *The expected number of primary care physicians and*
27 *surgeons medical school graduates.*
- 28 (f) *Population growth.*
- 29 (g) *The current and recommended numbers of primary care*
30 *physicians and surgeons relative to the population.*
- 31 (h) *Geographic gaps in health care coverage provided by*
32 *primary care physicians and surgeons.*
- 33 (i) *Lines of business by physicians and surgeons.*
- 34 (j) *Cultural and linguistic proficiency of physicians and*
35 *surgeons.*